

Adolph Hitler

Germany -
Nationalist - Nazi
- elected to office
- served in WWI

Non-Aggression Pact

Germany and USSR -
USSR would not defend
Poland when Germany
attacked. USSR would
get half of Poland

Joseph Stalin

USSR - 5 year plans to
industrialize - communist
- totalitarian dictator -
killed opponents or sent
them to Siberia

Japan

Under military
control - wanted
Manchuria for its
resources - bombed
Pearl Harbor

Appeasement

giving in to
another's demands
to avoid a conflict -
As Europe did with
Hitler

Munich Pact

appeased Hitler
allowing him to
take the
Sudentenland in
Czechoslovakia

Blitzkrieg

lightening warfare
- hit hard with
everything you
have

Benito Mussolini

Italy - Fascism -
appointed to power
by king to protect
from a Communist
takeover

Winston Churchill

Britain - accused his predecessor showing weakness to Hitler

Franco

Spain - led a revolution to take over - helped by Germany and Italy

Charles De Gaulle

France - one of the European leaders that signed the Munich Pact

Invasion of Poland

Britain and France declared war on Germany because of this attack

Axis Powers

Japan -
Italy -
Germany

Fascism

form of
government having
a strong central
government ruled
by a dictator

Nazism

form of
government
combining extreme
nationalism and
fascism

Nationalism

doing what is best
for your country
without regard to
how it will affect
others

Socialism

economic system
in which the
government has
total control over
everything

Treay of Versailles

ended World War I - hated
by Germany and Hitler -
humiliated Germany -
gave up military - were
responsible for war -
reparations...

Genocide

Deliberate killing of a
specific group of
people - carried out by
Hitler to rid his country
of inferior people

December 7, 1941

Japan bombed Pearl
Harbor - US then
declared war on Japan -
Then Germany and Italy
declared war on US

Cash and Carry

Allowed warring nations to buy non military supplies from US if they paid cash and hauled them themselves

Lend-Lease Act

Allowed Allied nations to get war supplies without paying for them up front

Nuremberg Laws

Passed in Germany to strip Jewish people of their rights

Battle of Britain

Germany launched a massive air attack
- Britain would not give up and Hitler called off the attack

Atlantic Charter

FDR and Churchill - an agreement of war aims

Rattlesnakes
of the
Atlantic

Nickname for
the German
U-Boats

Neutrality Acts

Passed in the US
to try to keep from
getting involved in
foreign conflicts

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